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*Published on the 4th June, 1917.*

<p>Contracts Misc. 1177</p>	<p>I.—Temporary abolition of Spur Chains, Metal Buttons, and Metal Badges of Rank on Officers' Uniforms.—Until further orders, buttons of brown leather or composition may be worn on all uniform jackets and coats in substitution for metal buttons, and embroidered badges of rank in worsted embroidery may take the place of metal badges of rank in all cases where the latter are authorized to be worn.</p>	<p>A.O. 200. 1917.</p>
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Spur straps may be substituted for spur chains and, if desired, officers may obtain spurs of ordinary Army pattern on payment from the Army Ordnance Department.

This order is not to be read as authorizing any change in regard to articles now in wear, but is intended to apply to new articles that may be provided in the future, when metal buttons and badges of rank may not be readily procurable.

The wearing of drab linen collars as an alternative to collars of drab flannel is also permitted.

*Published on the 5th June, 1917.*

<p>9 Yeomanry 703</p>	<p>II.—Abolition of Kit Allowance now paid to Soldiers of the Territorial Force for the maintenance of necessaries.—1. The issue of the daily kit allowance of 2½d. now paid to a Territorial Force soldier for the maintenance of his necessaries will cease as from the 1st July, 1917, except in the case of men serving in the Royal Defence Corps.</p>	<p>A.O. 201. 1917.</p>
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2. From that date the maintenance and renewal of the necessaries issued to a Territorial Force soldier will be effected under the same conditions as those applicable to a soldier of the Regular Forces, as laid down in the

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**A.O. 201** "Instructions regarding the issue of Clothing and  
1917 Necessaries during Mobilization," promulgated by  
*continued.* Army Order 166 of 1916.

3. Soldiers of the Royal Defence Corps will continue to receive the daily kit allowance, and their necessaries will, until further orders, be maintained as directed in the "Regulations for the Clothing of the Territorial Force during the War," promulgated by Army Order 17 of 1916.

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*Published on the 7th June, 1917.*

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**A.O. 202.** III.—Distinction in Dress for Members of Military  
1917 Nursing Services who have been wounded.—  
Approval is given for the extension of the provisions of Army Order 249 of 1916, to include members of the Military Nursing Services, including those of the Domiuions, members of Voluntary Aid Detachments and special probationers employed in military hospitals.

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**A.O. 203.** IV.—Transfers to Corps of Military Mounted  
1917 Police and Military Foot Police.—It has been brought to notice that in the cases of transfer to the Corps of Military Mounted Police, and the Corps of Military Foot Police, paragraph 334 (vi) and (vii) King's Regulations require that before transfer a non-commissioned officer shall revert to the rank of private, and the break in continuity of rank may affect the soldier's rate of pension, having regard to Articles 1134 and 1151 of the Pay Warrant.

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It is notified that the operation of paragraph 334 (vi) and (vii) King's Regulations is suspended during the continuance of the war.

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*Published on the 20th June, 1917.*

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**A.O. 204.** V.—Rules for Military Detention Barracks and  
1917 Military Prisons — Provisional Amendment. —  
1. *Special scale of rations for soldiers other than those of Category A.*—With reference to the scales of diet for soldiers under sentence at home stations, and to Army Order 145 of 1917, it has been decided that, until

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further orders, the following special daily rations shall be issued in all Military Detention Barracks and Branch Detention Barracks in Great Britain and Ireland to men other than those of Category A:—

<i>Article.</i>				oz.	
Bread ...	...	...	...	8	
Meat ...	...	...	...	12	
Oatmeal ...	...	...	...	4	
Split peas or beans ...	...	...	...	4	
Rice ...	...	...	...	3	
Potatoes ...	...	...	...	4	Total of 8 oz., but the relation may be varied according to supply and cost.
Fresh vegetables ...	...	...	...	4	
Barley or maize flour				3	
Suet ...	...	...	...	$\frac{1}{4}$	
Cocoa ...	...	...	...	1	
Margarine ...	...	...	...	$\frac{1}{2}$	
Salt ...	...	...	...	$\frac{1}{2}$	

2. The scale of rations for men of Category A, promulgated by Army Order 145 of 1917, will be amended to show the ration of salt as  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., and the ration of vinegar will be deleted.

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> 103 Misc. 717 </div>	<p><b>VI.—Garrison and Regimental Institutes.</b>—With reference to Army Orders 145 and 390 of 1916, a decision has been arrived at between the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty and the Army Council whereby the scope of the existing Army Canteen Committee's organization will be extended to include the conduct of all Naval Canteens. In consequence of the above decision the name "Army Canteen Committee" is hereby cancelled, and the title of the new official organization will be "The Navy and Army Canteen Board".</p>	<b>A.O. 205.</b> <b>1917.</b>
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A.O. 206.	VII.—Commissions in Indian Army and Indian	100
1917.	Army Reserve of Officers.—The following regula-	India
	tion will, in future, govern the grant of Commissions	1891
	in the Indian Army and the Indian Army Reserve	
	of Officers, in substitution for all previous regulations	
	and instructions on the subject.	

When a candidate for a commission in the Indian Army or Indian Army Reserve of Officers is required to attend at the India Office for interview with the Selection Board, or the Military Secretary, or for a medical board, notification will be sent by the War Office to the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the command or expeditionary force in which he is serving.

If he is serving in the United Kingdom, this notification will be acknowledged by the Officer Commanding his unit direct to the War Office by post, but if he is unable to attend on the date specified, the War Office will be immediately informed by telegram of the reason for non-attendance, and the candidate will await further instructions.

In case of candidates serving in France, the arrangements at present in existence will be continued.

The examination of candidates by a medical board under this Army Order is only to ascertain their fitness for permanent service in India, and does not in any way affect their fitness for general service.

## *Transfer to the Indian Army of Officers holding Permanent Commissions in the Regular British Army.*

Sanction has been given to the appointment to the Indian Army of a limited number of officers holding commissions in the Regular British Army, subject to the following conditions :—

1. Candidates must not be more than 28 years of age at the date of application.
2. No officer will be accepted for a transfer to the Indian Army until he has been passed by a medical board as fit for service in India. Officers serving in the United Kingdom or in France will attend the India Office Medical Board. Unsuccessful candidates will return to their units forthwith. Successful candidates serving with the British Armies in France will remain on leave in the United Kingdom pending orders which they will receive from the War Office. Successful

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candidates serving in the United Kingdom will rejoin their units, but should be granted leave, pending embarkation, as soon as possible after notification is received of their acceptance. All successful candidates will keep the War Office informed of any change in their address before embarkation. A.O. 206  
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*continued.*

Those serving in Egypt, Salonica or East Africa will be medically examined under the orders of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, and will go before the Selection Officer nominated for the purpose by the Secretary of State for India, and if suitable will be sent to India. The date of their embarkation will be notified by telegram to the War Office and the Commander-in-Chief, India, as soon as possible. The applications will then be forwarded to the War Office.

3. Officers selected for transfer to the Indian Army will be granted free passages to India. Passage to India at Government expense is not at present admissible for officers' families.

4. Successful candidates will be seconded from their regiments from the date of embarkation for India, or joining an Indian formation in France, in the rank to which their length of service entitles them under Indian Army rules, any higher rank being surrendered. On arrival in India or joining an Indian formation in France, they will be attached to an Indian unit on probation for one year, and if then found suitable, their appointment to the Indian Army will be confirmed. If found unsuitable for the Indian Army for reasons which would not render them unsuitable for the British Army, they will be reverted to their original corps. In this case passage to Europe will be granted at Government expense.

5. Successful candidates will be granted an outfit allowance of 20L., and will be allowed before embarkation for India to draw an advance of pay not exceeding 60 days' British pay of their arm and rank (as in paragraph 4).

6. Until they embark for India or join an Indian formation in France, successful candidates will remain under the control of the War Office, to whom all correspondence should be addressed. From date of embarkation for India successful candidates will come under the India Office for pay, and will be entitled to pay at British rates of their arm and rank (as in paragraph 4). From date of arrival in India they will draw the Indian Army pay of their rank until they join the Indian unit to which they are attached, when

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**A.O. 206** they will also become entitled to the staff pay of their  
**1917** regimental appointment.

*continued.* Officers who are ordered to join Indian units in France will receive Indian Army pay of their rank and staff pay of their appointment from the date they join an Indian formation for duty.

7. From the date of confirmation of appointment in the Indian Army, *i.e.*, when they have completed their period of probation, successful candidates will be required to become subscribers under the rules of the Indian Military Widows' and Orphans' Funds.

8. On transfer to the Indian Army an officer becomes subject to Indian Army regulations in all matters concerning pay, promotion, retention in the Service, leave, pension, &c.

9. Applications for transfer to the Indian Army must be made to the War Office in duplicate through the usual official channels on Army Form W 3418, which should be amended where required. Candidates will certify that if accepted it is their *bond fide* intention to join immediately, and to do duty for at least 12 months.

No candidate can be accepted unless recommended by his brigade commander and commanding officer as in every way suitable. Commanding officers will also certify that the application does not originate in any cause affecting the honour, character, or professional efficiency of the candidate.

10. The provisions of Army Council Instruction 1992 of 1916 do not apply to candidates for transfer to the Indian Army.

### *Appointments to the Indian Army of Officers holding Commissions in the Special Reserve, New Armies, or Territorial Force.*

Sanction has been given to the selection of a certain number of officers belonging to the Special Reserve, New Armies, or the Territorial Force, for the grant of permanent commissions in the Indian Army, subject to the following conditions :—

1. Candidates must not have been more than 28 years of age on the date on which they were called to Army service as commissioned officers.

2. All embodied commissioned service (except as in paragraph 4) from the outbreak of war will count for promotion and pension ; service as warrant officer, and one-half service in lower ranks will count for pension under the general rule, but will not count for promotion.

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3. No service rendered before the war will count for A.O. 206 promotion or pension unless it was in a Regular unit. 1917

4. Successful candidates will be seconded from their *continued.* regiments or transferred to the General List, from the date they embark for India or join an Indian formation in France, in the rank to which their length of service entitles them under Indian Army rules of promotion, any higher rank being surrendered, but in order that officers of the Regular Army who have passed through the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, or the Cadet Colleges in India may not be superseded, all officers of the Special Reserve, New Armies or Territorial Force will forfeit nine months' service (for promotion only) on joining the Indian Army. Candidates with previous commissioned service who enter the Indian Army through Cadet Colleges will forfeit three months' service. This is in accordance with War Office practice.

The qualifying terms of service for promotion at present are :—

Promotion to Lieutenant after one year's service.

"	"	Captain	"	four	"	"
"	"	Major	"	15	"	"

5. For the first year of service with Indian troops the selected officers will be on probation, and if found unsuitable will be reverted to their original corps. The period of probation will commence from the date the officer arrives in India or joins an Indian formation in France. For the period of the voyage they will receive British pay of their arm and rank under Indian Army rules (*see* paragraph 4). While on probation with Indian units they will receive Indian Army pay and Staff pay.\* During the period of probation, officers

	I.A. pay.	Cavalry.		Infantry.	
		Sq.- Comdr.	Sq.- Officer.	Coy.- Comdr.	Coy.- Officer.
Captain ...	400	250	150	200	100
Lieutenant ...	280	250	150	200	100
2nd Lieutenant	280	250	150	200	100

Pay in rupees per mensem. In addition Exchange Compensation Allowance of  $6\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on pay and Staff pay is given.

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**A.O. 206** will not be allowed to subscribe to the Indian Military  
**1917** Widows' and Orphans' Fund, but it will be compulsory  
*continued.* for them to do so with effect from the date of permanent  
admission into the Indian Army, *i.e.*, after completion  
of the period of probation. Married candidates who  
are over 30 years of age on joining, will pay a donation  
to the Indian Military Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

6. Applications must be made to the War Office on  
Army Form W 3418 in duplicate through the usual  
official channels. No candidate can be accepted unless  
he is recommended by his commanding officer as  
in every way suitable. All candidates must be  
interviewed by *their* brigade commanders (unless they  
are personally known to them), who will report on them  
as they see fit, bringing to notice any special points  
in connection with their service and any special  
qualifications or aptitudes they may possess. Brigade  
commanders should not simply report on candidates  
as "fit for service with Indian troops" unless they are  
fully satisfied that such is the case. No obstacle is to  
be placed in the way of any officer wishing to become  
a candidate for the Indian Army provided he is  
suitable.

7. A birth certificate and evidence of a satisfactory  
standard of education are to be attached to Army  
Form W 3418 whenever possible. When it is found  
necessary to forward applications without these,  
arrangements should be made to send them to the  
War Office as soon as possible. When a brigade  
commander is satisfied that a birth certificate is  
unobtainable, an affidavit sworn by the candidate's  
parent or guardian, or by a responsible person with  
full knowledge of the facts, as to a candidate's birth  
may be attached to Army Form W 3418 in its place.

8. Candidates serving in the United Kingdom or  
France will be ordered by the War Office to appear  
before a Selection Board at the India Office, and,  
if necessary, before the India Office Medical Board  
on the following week day. All candidates serving  
in the United Kingdom will then rejoin their units,  
but successful candidates should be granted leave  
pending embarkation as soon as possible after they  
have received their letters of appointment. Unsuccess-  
ful candidates serving in France will return to their  
units forthwith. Successful candidates will remain in  
the United Kingdom on leave pending embarkation for  
India, or, if posted to units in France, until ordered to  
proceed by the War Office.

9. Successful candidates serving in the United Kingdom or France will be given "letters of appointment" as soon as possible after they have appeared before the India Office Selection Board and Medical Board. These "letters of appointment" will be forwarded to them by the War Office, and should be acknowledged both to the War Office and to the India Office. *No other correspondence* is to be addressed to the India Office. A.O. 206  
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10. Successful candidates should inform the War Office of their addresses immediately they go on leave or change their addresses before embarkation from England. They will remain under the control of the War Office until the date of embarkation, and will receive all orders from that department.

11. Candidates serving in Egypt, Salonica or East Africa will be medically examined under the orders of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, and will go before the Selection officer. If found suitable they will be embarked for India, and the date of embarkation will be notified to the War Office and the Commander-in-Chief in India by telegram immediately. Their applications will then be forwarded to the War Office. Their period of probation will commence from the date of their arrival in India.

12. The provisions of Army Council Instruction 1992 of 1916 do not apply to candidates for permanent commissions in the Indian Army.

13. All successful candidates will be granted an outfit allowance of 20*l.*, and a passage to India at Government's expense. They may also draw an advance of 30 days' British pay prior to embarkation to India.

*Appointments to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers of candidates out of India.*

In supersession of previous rules it has been decided to select a certain number of candidates from the British Service for appointment to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers, for service with native Indian troops, for the period of the war on the following terms :—

1. Candidates must be—

*Class I.*—Officers of the Special Reserve, New Armies or Territorial Force, who were not more than 35 years of age on the date when they were called to Army service as commissioned officers.



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**A.O. 206** *Class II.*—Non-commissioned officers and men who  
**1917** are not over 35 years of age and are certified by their  
*continued.* brigade commanders and commanding officers to be in  
all respects suitable for the grant of commissions.

2. All applications must be made to the War Office on Army Form W 3530 in duplicate through the usual official channels. No candidate can be accepted unless he is recommended by his brigade commander and commanding officer as in every way suitable. No obstacle is to be placed in the way of suitable candidates for the Indian Army Reserve of Officers.

3. All candidates must be examined by a medical board, under the orders of their brigade commanders, which will fill in the medical board report on page 4 of Army Form W 3530, certifying them as physically fit for Indian service. No candidate is to be certified as fit for appointment to a commission in the Indian Army Reserve of Officers unless he is fit for general service. When a candidate is temporarily unfit for general service he will be certified as unfit at present for appointment to a commission in the Indian Army Reserve of Officers, and Army Form W 3530 will be filed with his medical documents (Army Form A 45). When the candidate is finally passed fit for general service, the medical board which fills in Army Form A 45 will make a note on page 4 of Army Form W 3530 "Now fit for general Service." The application will then be forwarded to the War Office.

4. Candidates of Class II. if serving in the United Kingdom or France will be personally interviewed by the Military Secretary at the India Office. Candidates of Class II. serving in Egypt, Salonica or East Africa will be interviewed by the Selection officer nominated for this purpose by the Secretary of State for India, who will decide whether a candidate is to be accepted for appointment on probation to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers.

Candidates of Class I. will not ordinarily be called up for a personal interview, but the Secretary of State for India reserves the right to require any candidate to be so interviewed. In case of candidates serving in Egypt, Salonica or East Africa this right is also vested in the General Officer-Commanding-in-Chief.

5. A letter of appointment to a commission on probation in the Indian Army Reserve of Officers will be prepared in the India Office and sent by the War Office to all successful candidates as soon as possible



after their applications have been dealt with. These letters of appointment will be acknowledged to the India Office as well as to the War Office. All successful candidates will inform the War Office of their addresses immediately they go on leave or change their addresses before embarkation. They will remain under the control of the War Office until they embark for India and will receive all orders from that department.

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6. At the same time that letters of appointment are sent to candidates, letters will be addressed to General Officers Commanding-in-Chief Commands and Expeditionary Forces in which candidates are serving as follows :—

In case of candidates serving in United Kingdom or France, informing them that candidates have been selected, and that arrangements will be made to embark them for India at an early date, and asking that candidates may be granted leave pending embarkation.

In case of candidates serving in Salonica, Egypt or East Africa, asking that arrangements may be made for candidates to embark for India, and that date of embarkation may be reported by wire to the Commander-in-Chief, India, and to the War Office.

7. Successful candidates who have been interviewed by the Military Secretary at the India Office will, if serving in the United Kingdom, immediately rejoin their units until granted leave. If serving with the British Armies in France they will remain on leave in the United Kingdom pending embarkation for India. Unsuccessful candidates who have been interviewed by the Military Secretary at the India Office will rejoin their units forthwith.

8. Successful candidates of Class I. will be seconded or transferred into the General List in the rank to which their length of service entitles them under Indian Army rules, any higher rank being surrendered. Those of Class II. will be granted commissions as Second Lieutenants on the General List from the date of their embarkation for India. During the period of the voyage all candidates will draw the British pay of their arm and of this rank. After arrival in India they will be attached to Indian units for duty as probationers for the Indian Army Reserve of Officers, and they will receive the rates of pay and staff pay admissible in India to officers of the Indian Army, according to the

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**A.O. 206** arm of the service to which they are posted.\* This  
**1917** probation will ordinarily last six months, and if at the  
*continued.* end of that time an officer is reported unsuitable for  
 service with Indian troops he will be replaced at the  
 disposal of the War Office, and may be utilised as a  
 reinforcement to a British unit in India, or be sent  
 back to Europe. An unsuitable officer may also be  
 returned any time before the expiration of six months.

9. Successful candidates of Class I. will be granted  
 an outfit allowance of 20%, those of Class II. of 40%.  
 All candidates will be provided with free passages to  
 India and may draw an advance of 30 days' British  
 pay of their arm and rank before embarkation.

10. Officers of the Indian Army Reserve of Officers  
 are eligible for promotion to lieutenant, captain and  
 major under Indian Army rules,† but accelerated  
 promotion may be granted to such officers who are  
 specially recommended for such promotion.

11. On the termination of their period of probation,  
 candidates who are favourably reported on will be  
 admitted to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers.

12. Officers on probation and those who have been  
 admitted to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers will  
 be eligible for wound gratuities and wound pensions as  
 laid down in the Pay Warrant. If unfit for further  
 service on account of disability due to, or aggravated  
 by military service, they will be eligible for the disability  
 gratuities and pensions laid down in the Royal Warrant  
 of the 26th November, 1915 (Army Order 3 of 1916),  
 and subsequent Royal Warrants.

13. Officers granted sick leave will receive pay at  
 the special rates laid down for the Indian Army Reserve  
 of Officers.

	Indian Army Pay.	Cavalry Squadron officer.	Infantry Company officer.	Remarks.
Captain ...	400	150	100	Pay in rupees per ensem. Exchange compensation al- lowance at 6½ per cent. on pay and staff pay.
Lieutenant ...	280	150	100	
2nd Lieutenant	280	150	100	

† Promotion to lieutenant after 1 year's service. Promotion  
 to captain after 4 years' service Promotion to major after 15  
 years' service.

14. Widows and children of officers of the Indian Army Reserve of Officers killed in action or dying of wounds will be granted pensions and gratuities, and widows and children of those dying of disease contracted on campaign service will be granted pensions at the rates laid down in the Royal Warrant of the 26th November, 1915 (Army Order 3 of 1916), for pensions for widows and children of officers of the regular army. Dependant relatives of officers who do not leave either a widow or a child will also be eligible for pensions under the Royal Warrant. Officers of the Indian Army Reserve of Officers will not be permitted to subscribe for the benefits of the Indian Military Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

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15. On cessation of service, officers of the Indian Army Reserve of Officers will be granted a gratuity of three months' pay and staff pay of their appointment for the first year or part of a year of service, and one month's pay and staff pay of their appointment for each succeeding year or part of a year of service.

This gratuity is not issuable to an officer :—

- (a) Transferring to a permanent commission in the Indian Army.
- (b) Who voluntarily resigns his commission.
- (c) Who resigns through disability not contracted in and by the performance of military duty after less than six months' duty on full pay.
- (d) Whose services are dispensed with for misconduct or inefficiency.

16. The provisions of Army Council Instruction 1992 of 1916 do not apply in cases of officers applying for appointment on probation to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers.

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**ARMY ORDERS NOW PUBLISHED  
FOR THE FIRST TIME.**

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**ROYAL WARRANTS.**

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**The Camel Corps.**

GEORGE R.I.

A.O. 207. WHEREAS We deem it expedient to authorize the 18  
1917. formation of, and provide rates of pay for, a Corps Colonies  
entitled "The Camel Corps"; 151

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that The Camel Corps shall be formed from the personnel of Our Imperial Camel Corps, and shall be deemed to be a Corps for the purposes of the Army Act.

OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE IS that the officers of Our Camel Corps shall receive the same rates of pay and under the same conditions as officers of Our Cavalry of the Line, and the soldiers the same rates of pay and proficiency pay and under the same conditions as soldiers of Our Cavalry of the Line.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 26th day of June, 1917, in the 8th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

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**Assistant Inspectors of Royal Engineer Machinery.**

GEORGE R.I.

A.O. 208. WHEREAS We deem it expedient to make provision 56  
1917. for the pay, rank, allowances and retired pay of a new Mechanists  
grade of officers to be designated Assistant Inspector of 617  
Royal Engineer Machinery

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IT IS OUR WILL AND PLEASURE that the rate of A.O. 208  
pay shall be as follows :— 1917

On appointment ... ..	10s. 6d. per diem.	<i>continued.</i>
After 5 years' service as As- sistant Inspector of Royal Engineer Machinery ... ..	12s. 0d.     "	
After 10 years' service as As- sistant Inspector of Royal Engineer Machinery ... ..	12s. 6d.     "	

IT IS OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE that for the purpose of rank, allowances, conditions of retirement and rates of retired pay these Assistant Inspectors of Royal Engineer Machinery shall be treated as regimental Quartermasters.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 26th day of June, 1917, in the 8th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

Pay of Quartermasters, &c., granted Combatant Commissions.

GEORGE R.I.

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WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to make special A.O. 209.  
provision for the emoluments of officers granted com- 1917.  
batant commissions whilst serving as Quartermasters ;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that, from the 5th November, 1914, the daily rates of regimental pay of officers who, before being granted combatant commissions, were serving as Quartermasters or Riding-masters in Our Regular Army and are appointed during the period of the present war to permanent combatant commissions in Our Household Cavalry, Cavalry of the Line, Royal Artillery, Foot Guards and Infantry of the Line, shall be as laid down for officers commissioned from the ranks in Articles 208A, 209 and 228 of Our Warrant dated the 1st December, 1914, governing the



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**A.O. 209** Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay  
1917 of Our Army, and in Our Warrant dated 9th Decem-  
continued. ber, 1916.

IT IS OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE that such officers shall receive a further outfit allowance of 50%.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this  
29th day of June, 1917, in the 8th year of  
Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

## Pay Warrant—Amendments.

GEORGE R.I.

**A.O. 210.** WHEREAS We deem it expedient to amend Our  
1917 Warrant governing the Pay, Appointment, Promotion  
and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army ;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is that Our Warrant of  
the 1st December, 1914 shall be amended as follows :—

### *Promotion to rank of Major.*

1. Article 49, lines 3 and 4. The words " provided that  
a captain shall not be so promoted unless he has at  
least six years' service " shall be *deleted*. 16551  
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### *Honorary Rank.*

2. Article 80. After " rank " in line 1 the words " up  
to that of lieutenant-colonel " shall be *inserted*. 101  
Gen. No.  
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### *Educational Establishments.*

3. The following new Article shall be *inserted* :—

**A.O. 210.** 183A. When, owing to absence on account of sickness,  
1917. the duties of an officer holding an appointment in Our  
Military Educational Establishments are performed by  
another officer in addition to his own duties, the latter  
officer may be granted extra pay under the conditions  
of Article 149 and at corresponding rates, except that  
the rate of acting pay shall not exceed the difference  
between the pay of the substantive appointment and  
that of the officer temporarily performing the duties,  
and shall not in any case exceed 10s. a day. 42  
R.M.A.  
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	<i>Royal Flying Corps.</i>	<u>A.O. 210</u>
48		1917
Misc.		<i>continued.</i>
1292	4. Article 222 (as amended by Our Warrant of the 19th October, 1916). The penultimate paragraph relating to the pay of Equipment Officer, 3rd Class, shall be <i>cancelled</i> and the following <i>substituted</i> —	

“Equipment Officer, 3rd Class.—In the case of a combatant officer 12s. a day, or if appointed before the date of this order the ordinary rate of pay, without flying pay, provided for a flying officer.” A.O. 210.  
1917.

In the case of a quartermaster the rate provided for a quartermaster in this Article.

He shall receive in addition flying pay at the rate of 5s. a day for each day of ascent.

Flying pay under Article 223 or 226A will not be issuable whilst he is under instruction in aviation or observation (including ballooning).”

*Adjutants, Royal Flying Corps.*

5. The following new Article shall be *inserted* :—

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R.F.C.	222A. An adjutant of Our Royal Flying Corps shall not be eligible to receive pay as adjutant for more than 61 days' absence from duty during the financial year, except that absence on account of sickness up to a total of 30 days shall not, subject to the conditions of Article 306 (2), count towards the period admissible as above.	<u>A.O. 210.</u> 1917.
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6. Article 259 on page 62, after line 7 the following shall be *inserted* :—

ROYAL FLYING CORPS.

*Acting  
Adjutant.*

The officer (other than an equipment officer, 1st or 2nd class), acting during the absence (up to 91 days) of the adjutant on account of wounds received in action or sickness contracted by service in the field, provided that the officer so acting is not in receipt of flying pay and that his total pay and extra-duty pay do not exceed 20s. a day. ... .. 2s. 6d.

A.O. 210.  
1917.

*Promotions in Army Ordnance Department.*

7. The following new Article shall be *inserted*—

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Gen. No.	412A. Promotion to the ranks of principal ordnance officer and ordnance officer, 1st class, shall be by selection without reference to length of service.	<u>A.O. 210.</u> 1917.
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A.O. 210

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continued.

A.O. 210.  
1917.

## *Refund of Retired Pay suspended.*

8. Article 517. The following shall be added :—

"In exceptional cases payment of part or the whole of the retired pay suspended may, with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of Our Treasury, be made by Our Army Council to the wife or other dependants of the officer, instead of to the officer himself."

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## *Gratuities and Retired Pay of Officers Commissioned from the Ranks.*

9. Article 572A. In line 14, after " (2) Re-engaged " the following shall be added :—"or mobilized from Section D of the First Class Army Reserve".

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Gen. No.
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Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 30th day of June, 1917, in the 8th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

## INSTRUCTIONS, REGULATIONS, &c.

A.O. 211.

1917.

**Victoria Cross.**—1. His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned officer, warrant officer, non-commissioned officers and men :—

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Lieutenant Robert Grierson Combe, late Canadian Infantry Battalion.

For most conspicuous bravery and example. He steadied his Company under intense fire, and led them through the enemy barrage, reaching the objective with only five men.

With great coolness and courage Lieutenant Combe proceeded to bomb the enemy, and inflicted heavy casualties. He collected small groups of men and succeeded in capturing the Company objective, together with 80 prisoners.

He repeatedly charged the enemy, driving them before him, and, whilst personally leading his bombers, was killed by an enemy sniper. A.O. 211  
1917  
*continued.*

His conduct inspired all ranks, and it was entirely due to his magnificent courage that the position was carried, secured and held.

No. 201154 Company Serjeant-Major Edward Brooks, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry.

For most conspicuous bravery. This warrant officer, while taking part in a raid on the enemy's trenches, saw that the front wave was checked by an enemy machine gun at close quarters. On his own initiative, and regardless of personal danger, he rushed forward from the second wave with the object of capturing the gun, killing one of the gunners with his revolver and bayonetting another. The remainder of the gun's crew then made off, leaving the gun in his possession.

Company Serjeant-Major Brooks then turned the machine-gun on to the retreating enemy, after which he carried it back into our lines.

By his courage and initiative he undoubtedly prevented many casualties, and greatly added to the success of the operations.

No. 24866 Serjeant Albert White, late South Wales Borderers.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. Realising during an attack that one of the enemy's machine-guns, which had previously been located, would probably hold up the whole advance of his Company, Serjeant White, without the slightest hesitation and regardless of all personal danger, dashed ahead of his Company to capture the gun. When within a few yards of the gun he fell riddled with bullets, having thus willingly sacrificed his life in order that he might secure the success of the operations and the welfare of his comrades.

No. 13290 Corporal Edward Foster, East Surrey Regiment.

For most conspicuous bravery and initiative. During an attack the advance was held up in a portion of a village by two enemy machine guns, which were entrenched and strongly covered by wire entanglements.

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**A.O. 211** Corporal Foster, who was in charge of two Lewis  
**1917** guns, succeeded in entering the trench and engaged  
*continued.* the enemy guns.

One of the Lewis guns was lost, but Corporal Foster, with reckless courage, rushed forward and bombed the enemy, thereby recovering the gun.

Then getting his two guns into action, he killed the enemy gun team and captured their guns, thereby enabling the advance to continue successfully.

No. 2445 Corporal George Julian Howell, Infantry Battalion, Australian Imperial Force.

For conspicuous bravery. Seeing a party of the enemy were likely to outflank his Battalion, Corporal Howell, on his own initiative, single-handed and exposed to heavy bomb and rifle fire, climbed on to the top of the parapet and proceeded to bomb the enemy, pressing them back along the trench.

Having exhausted his stock of bombs, he continued to attack the enemy with his bayonet. He was then severely wounded.

The prompt action and gallant conduct of this non-commissioned officer in the face of superior numbers was witnessed by the whole Battalion and greatly inspired them in the subsequent successful counter-attack.

No. 8763 Lance-Corporal James Welch, Royal Berkshire Regiment.

For most conspicuous bravery. On entering the enemy trench, he killed one man after a severe hand-to-hand struggle. Armed only with an empty revolver, Lance-Corporal Welch then chased four of the enemy across the open and captured them single-handed.

He handled his machine gun with the utmost fearlessness, and more than once went into the open fully exposed to heavy fire at short range, to search for and collect ammunition and spare parts in order to keep his guns in action, which he succeeded in doing for over five hours till wounded by a shell.

He showed throughout the utmost valour and initiative.

No. 242697 Private Tom Dresser, Yorkshire Regiment.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. Private Dresser, in spite of being twice wounded on the way, and suffering great pain, succeeded in conveying



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an important message from battalion headquarters to the front line of trenches, which he eventually reached in an exhausted condition. A.O. 211  
1917  
*continued.*

His fearlessness and determination to deliver this message at any cost, proved of the greatest value to his Battalion at a critical period.

No. 18105 Private Jack White, Royal Lancaster Regiment.

For most conspicuous bravery and resource.

This signaller during an attempt to cross a river saw the two pontoons ahead of him come under heavy machine-gun fire, with disastrous results.

When his own pontoon had reached mid-stream, with every man except himself either dead or wounded, finding that he was unable to control the pontoon, Private White promptly tied a telephone wire to the pontoon, jumped overboard, and towed it to the shore, thereby saving an officer's life and bringing to land the rifles and equipment of the other men in the boat, who were either dead or dying.

The foregoing appeared in the *London Gazette*, dated 27th June, 1917.

<div style="text-align: right;">012</div> <div style="text-align: right;">2698</div> <div style="text-align: right;">...</div> <div style="text-align: right;">2704</div>	2. Lists of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 8th and 14th June, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.
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<div style="text-align: right;">0137</div> <div style="text-align: right;">3761</div> <div style="text-align: right;">...</div> <div style="text-align: right;">3881</div>	<b>Distinguished Conduct Medal.</b> —Lists of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 26th May and 18th June, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned. <span style="float: right;">A.O. 212. 1917.</span>
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<div style="text-align: right;">0137</div> <div style="text-align: right;">3761</div> <div style="text-align: right;">...</div> <div style="text-align: right;">3881</div>	<b>Military Medal.</b> —Lists of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 26th May and 18th June, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned. <span style="float: right;">A.O. 213. 1917.</span>
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**A.O. 214.** **Meritorious Service Medal.—1.** The following have 68  
**1917.** been awarded the annuity and medal for "Meritorious Gen. No.  
 Service" :— 3069

Serjeant-Major J. Aldous, late District Staff, Royal Horse Artillery.  
 Serjeant-Major W. Asher, late 2nd Bn. Liverpool Regiment.  
 Colour-Serjeant J. Blyth, late Permanent Staff, 2nd Bn. Forfar Rifle Volunteer Corps, formerly 1st Bn. Highland Light Infantry.  
 Quartermaster-Serjeant G. H. Clark, late Army Service Corps.  
 Serjeant-Instructor of Musketry H. Dunlop, late 2nd Bn. Lincolnshire Regiment.  
 Serjeant-Instructor of Musketry A. Goodchild, late 4th Bn. Cheshire Regiment, formerly 2nd Bn.  
 Quartermaster-Serjeant J. W. Hamling, late Permanent Staff, Royal Jersey Artillery Militia, formerly District Staff, Royal Artillery.  
 Orderly-Room-Serjeant W. H. Neville, late 2nd Bn. 5th Foot.  
 Militia Serjeant-Major T. Ritchie, late 3rd Bn. Durham Light Infantry, formerly 3rd Bn. Rifle Brigade.  
 Serjeant-Major H. Stephens, late 2nd Bn. Oxfordshire Light Infantry.  
 Battery Serjeant-Major W. Storey, late Devon Artillery Militia, formerly Western Division, Royal Artillery.

2. Lists of awards which were announced in the 0137  
*London Gazette*, dated 26th May, and 4th and 18th June, 3761  
 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned. ...  
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**A.O. 215.** **Foreign Decorations and Medals.—**A list of awards 0137  
**1917.** which were announced in the *London Gazette*, dated 1st, 3736  
 15th, 21st, 26th May, 1st and 2nd June, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.

**A.O. 216.** **Long Service and Good Conduct Medal—Special** 68  
**1917.** Reserve.—The following have been awarded the Reserve  
 Special Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct 151  
 Medal :—

No. 3/6243, Serjeant A. McLeod, Seaforth Highlanders.  
 No. 3171, Serjeant W. Crozier, Royal Irish Rifles.

*Errata.*

Reference Army Order 126 of 1917. The regimental numbers of—

No. 742, Serjeant D. Matchett, North Irish Horse;  
 No. 558, Squadron-Quartermaster-Serjeant J. M. Wherry,  
 North Irish Horse,

are as now described.

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8766 **Recognition of Voluntary Aid Detachments.—**A.O. 217.  
1917.  
A further list of detachments which have been registered at the War Office is printed as an Appendix to this Order.

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R.M.A.  
556 **Commissions in the Regular Army.—1. Provisional**A.O. 218.  
1917.  
Regulations respecting admission to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, and for first appointments therefrom to the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.  
2. The following Army Orders are *cancelled* so far as they relate to the Royal Military Academy: 263 (and the regulations issued therewith), 405 and 471 of 1915, and 317 of 1916.

**Rules of Procedure—Amendments.—**His Majesty A.O. 219.  
the King has been graciously pleased to approve of 1917.  
the following amendments being made in the Rules of Procedure, 1907 :—

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Gen. No.  
3267 Appendix II., page 79. Lines 31 and 32 and line 38,  
for the words “in the regiment” *substitute* “in his  
corps”.  
Lines 32 and 33, for the words “that regiment”  
*substitute* “that corps”.

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Gen. No.  
3267 **Manual of Military Law—Amendments.—**Page A.O. 220.  
602. In Note 1 to Rule of Procedure 47, for “regiment” 1917.  
wherever it occurs *substitute* “corps”.  
Page 695. Lines 41–42, 43 and 48 should be amended,  
in accordance with Army Order 219 of 1917.

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Gen. No.  
1992 **Care of Recruits and Time-expired Men.—**The A.O. 221.  
Army Council have had under consideration the effect 1917.  
of recent changes in the conditions of Army service  
upon the scheme for the care of recruits and time-  
expired men detailed in Army Orders 4 of 1912, 177,  
304 and 339 of 1913, and 169 of 1914, and reprinted  
as an Appendix to the Civil Employment Regulations  
issued with Army Order 355 of 1913.

Although this scheme has been of very substantial  
benefit in many directions, the objects with which it  
was set up are now so largely provided for by other  
agencies that it has been decided to discontinue it, at

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**A.O. 221** any rate during the war, and the reports mentioned in 1917 the Army Orders referred to above are therefore no *continued.* longer required.

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| <b>A.O. 222.</b><br><b>1917.</b> | <b>Adjustment of the Accounts of Soldiers on Transfer or when Detached from their Units.—</b><br>1. It has been decided that for the present the procedure for the adjustment of the accounts of soldiers transferred from one unit to another shall be modified as indicated in paragraphs 2 to 4 of this Order.<br>2. In the case of a soldier transferred from one unit to another in the United Kingdom (whether the units are in the same payment or not) the company commander of the unit from which the soldier proceeds will not be required to render a statement on A.F. O 1809 to the paymaster. Instead, he will send to the man's new company commander a notification on A.F. O 1809A of the daily rate of pay and current pay and mess book charges, for his guidance in paying the man until the first notification of his ledger balance is received from the paymaster.<br>3. In cases in which the soldier's pay account is transferred, the new paymaster will inspect the account as soon as it is received, and if it is obvious that the soldier is in debt will immediately notify his new company commander of the fact, in order that cash issues to the soldier may be restricted.<br>4. For the purposes specified in paragraphs 59 to 62 of the Instructions relating to Pay Duties, issued with Army Order 191 of 1915, A.F. O 1809D will be used instead of A.F. O 1809.<br>5. Where a soldier is attached for cash payments and rations to another unit of the same corps (or, in the case of the Army Service Corps and London Regiment, of the branch of the corps in the payment of the same paymaster), if the period of attachment is likely to be long, the accounting procedure will be as in the case of a soldier transferred, <i>i.e.</i> , the commander of the soldier's company will render A.F. O 1809A to the commander of the company to which the soldier is attached, and the latter officer will record the soldier's cash payments, &c., in Form 1 of the pay and mess book instead of on the detachment pay sheet (A.F. N 1510).<br>6. Any necessary amendments to the regulations affected by this Army Order will be made in due course. | <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; padding-top: 5px;">         16<br/>         Eastern<br/>         471       </div> |
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16      **Detachment Pay Sheets.**—1. The detachment A.O. 223.  
Eastern pay sheet, A.F. N 1510, for use when soldiers are 1917.  
471 detached from their own companies, has been revised so  
as to provide—

- (a) A full record (similar to that in the pay and mess book) of ration issues as well as pay.
- (b) The notification of casualties, supplementing the notification by Part II. orders.
- (c) The paymaster's certificate of adjustment of the soldier's pay account.
- (d) The paymaster's certificate of adjustment of rations.

A.F. O 1823 and P 1950 will, therefore, not be required for pay and ration adjustments effected by means of the revised A.F. N 1510.

2. In cases where men on detachment receive their pay from their own company commander but are rationed by another unit, A.F. P 1950 will still be used.

3. The regulations affected by this Army Order will be amended in due course.

4. As it has been represented that in certain cases detachment pay sheets have not been kept satisfactorily, commanding officers should take steps to ensure that the necessary care is exercised in the preparation of these forms.

9      **Payment of Officers of the Territorial Force.**—1. A.O. 224.  
A.S.C. With reference to Army Order 15 of 1915, it has been 1917.  
3388 decided that the allowances of officers of the Territorial Force who are serving at home stations, and their pay when not issued by the Regimental Agents, shall be paid as follows :—

- (a) Officers of Yeomanry and Infantry, unless seconded for duty with other arms or branches of the service or attached to the Royal Flying Corps, by the Command Paymaster of the Command in which the peace headquarters of their units are stationed.
- (b) Officers attached to the Royal Flying Corps, by the Command Paymaster, Aldershot.
- (c) Officers not provided for in (a) or (b), by the Command Paymaster of the Command in which their permanent stations are situated.



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**A.O. 224** 2. The change will have effect as from the 1st July, 1917, in regard to pay and allowances issuable in arrear, *continued.* but from the 1st August, 1917, for pay issuable in advance.

**A.O. 225.** **Motor Car Licence Duty.**—With reference to Army Orders 353 of 1916 and 2 of 1917, in regard to the temporary alteration in the allowances for the use of private motor vehicles, it should be noted that nothing in those Army Orders is to be construed as authorizing or implying that officers or others are entitled to relief from payment of motor car licence duty when they use their private vehicles for Government work. 92  
5902

Such relief under the Finance Act, 1916, Section 14 (2), is restricted to persons who are not in the regular employment of the Government.

**A.O. 226.** **Rules for Garrison and Regimental Institutes,** issued with Army Order 245 of 1916—Amendment.— 103  
Gen. No.  
1753

1917. Paragraph 24, line 1, *after* "servants" *insert* "(excluding, during the present war, soldiers' wives, families and dependants in receipt of separation or dependants' allowance)".

**A.O. 227.** **War Clothing Regulations (Regular Army),** A.C.D.  
Clo. Rgns.  
1133

1917. 1. Revised regulations regarding the issue of clothing and necessities during mobilization to Regular units at home have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

The instructions issued with Army Order 166 of 1916, and the amendments thereto published by Army Orders 193, 276, 382 and 422 of 1916, are *cancelled*.

2. The following amendments will be made in these regulations—" (Regular Army)" will be omitted from the title, and in lines 4 and 5, on page 3, for "*Territorial Force, for whom a separate book of Regulations was*" substitute "*Royal Defence Corps, clothing for which will continue to be governed by the Regulations for the Clothing of the Territorial Force during the War*"

**A.O. 228.** **1st Class Certificate of Education — Map** 50  
Certificates  
3145

1917. Reading a separate subject.—With reference to paragraph 137, Army School Regulations, map reading may be taken up separately during the continuation of the war by non-commissioned officers and men serving on permanent or temporary engagements who so desire. This does not apply to enlisted boys.

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A record will be kept by units concerned of successful candidates and the names will be published in orders. A.O. 228  
1917

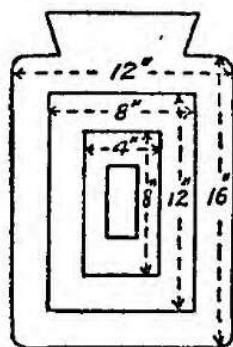
Should any soldier, who has passed in map reading under the provisions of this Army Order, subsequently sit for the 1st Group or the whole of the 1st Class Certificate of Education, he will not be required to re-qualify in map reading. continued.

**Gen. No. 2** **Army Fire Manual.**—A revised edition has been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned. A.O. 229.  
1917.

Army Order 237 of 1916 and the Fire Manual for Hutment Camps issued therewith is cancelled.

**104** **Musketry Regulations, Part I., 1909, reprinted** A.O. 230.  
1917.  
**Misc.** **with Amendments, 1914.**—1. Addendum No. 3,  
**314** **December 1916, "Instructional Course for the Webley**  
**or other Pistol," issued with Army Order 73 of 1917,**  
**is amended as follows :—**

Page 6 (v). For "Each hit 4 points" substitute "The  $\frac{3}{4}$  figure No. 2 will be marked with rectangles," as shown below— A.O. 230.  
1917.



Points will be allotted as in (ii).

Page 10. *Notes.* Add—

"4. Pistols must be inspected immediately before all empty pistol practices and tests". A.O. 230  
1917.

*Section 3, Notes.* 2. After "opened" insert "or closed".

*Section 3.* 1. The grip. After "Not bent down" insert "the tip of the thumb must not be in contact with any other part of the pistol".

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A.O. 230 Page 11. Paragraph 3, line 2. *After* "stand" *insert*  
1917 "firmly on both feet".  
*continued.* Paragraph 3, line 3. *After* "mark" *insert* "the feet  
A.O. 230. should be separated, the foot nearest the pistol arm in  
1917. advance and pointed towards the target. The body  
erect, and balanced firmly on both feet. The "

Page 12. Paragraph 5, at the bottom of page. *Adā—*  
A.O. 230. "In action, speed in firing one or more effective  
1917. shots is of vital importance. These muscle exercises  
are necessary to ensure the automatic and imme-  
diate alignment of the pistol on any point on which  
the eye is fixed," together with the instantaneous  
firing of the pistol the moment it is aligned."

Page 12. *Add new paragraph—*  
A.O. 230. 6. *Selection of the point of aim.*—The point of aim  
1917. whenever possible, is the centre of the enemy's waist  
line. When firing at a crossing target aim should be  
taken at its front edge, the pistol being kept moving so  
that it is aligned on that point whilst being fired.

A.O. 230. 2. Page 152, paragraph 409. *For* first sentence *sub-* 107  
1917. *stitute* "Subaltern officers will fire Parts I, II and Gen. No.  
III of the Annual General Musketry Course with 2160  
their squadrons and companies. Officers, however,  
who on first commission are posted to reserve units  
will not fire these practices until they have served  
with their unit for more than 4 months."

A.O. 231. **Infantry Training, 1914 — Amendments. —** 9  
1917. (i) Page 38, line 3, *for* "four" *substitute* "two". O.T.C.  
(ii) Page 52. Section 57, "Three", lines 2 and 3, 8808  
*for* "and in line with the shoulder" *substitute* "upwards  
at an angle of 45 degrees".  
(iii) Page 62. Section 72, "Three", line 1, *before*  
"left-hand" *insert* "original".

A.O. 232. **Trumpet and Bugle Sounds, 1914.—Regi-** 87  
1917. mental calls for the Royal Flying Corps have been Stores  
approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all 1635  
concerned.

## BOOKS, FORMS, &amp;c.

A.O. 233.  
1917.*Military Books.*

1. The following books have been placed on sale :—

	Price.
	s. d.
Gun Drill. 4·5-inch Q.F. Howitzer, 1917. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st May, 1917) ... ..	0 1
Handbook of the 18-pr. Q.F. Gun, 1915. Addenda and Corrigenda to ... ..	0 2
Handbook of the 4·5-inch Q.F. Howitzer, 1915. Addendum and Corrigenda to ... ..	0 2

*Army Forms approved.*

2. The following Army Forms have been approved :—

Army Form W 3582, "Record of Hirings by Area Quartering Committees."

Supplies of this form have been distributed to Presidents of Area Quartering Committees, and Headquarters of Commands.

Army Form W 3588, "Agricultural Produce Return."

Supplies of this form have been distributed to Headquarters of Commands for re-distribution to Units, &c.

Army Form W 3590, "Form to be issued for Class B Reservists willing to act as substitutes or referred by Tribunals."

A distribution of this form has been made to Officers Commanding Recruiting Areas.

Army Form W 3591, "Memorandum of Claim by an Agriculturist to be excluded from the provisions of the Military Service (Review of Exceptions) Act, 1917."

This form should be indented for by Officers Commanding Recruiting Areas, as required.

Army Form W 3593, "Notification by the Officer i/c Records of a Soldier's Discharge."

Supplies of this form have been distributed to Officers i/c Records (Regular and T.F.).

Army Form W 3594, "Posting Return."

A distribution of this form has been made to Officers Commanding Recruiting Areas.

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**A.O. 233** Army Form W 3595, "Form for issue to the Royal  
1917 Irish Constabulary, requesting them to investigate  
*continued.* the cases of Absentees from Military Service who  
have proceeded to Ireland."

This form should be indented for as required.

Army Form W 3598, "Particulars of Soldiers about to  
be Discharged from Hospital to Furlough."

A distribution of this form has been made to Officers  
i/c Military Hospitals.

Army Form W 3603, "Pay Lists for Officer Prisoners  
of War."

Supplies have been distributed to Commandants,  
Prisoners of War Camps.

Army Form W 3606, "Form of Agreement for Candi-  
dates for Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve engaged Overseas."

This form should be indented for as required.

Army Form W 3608, "Territorial Force ; Cross-check  
of Allotments."

This form should be indented for by Secretaries,  
Territorial Force Associations, as required.

Army Form V 4016, "Volunteer Force ; Injury  
Report in respect of Volunteers injured whilst  
employed on temporary service under orders of  
the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the  
Command."

Army Form V 4017, "Volunteer Force ; Compensation  
for injury sustained by Volunteers whilst performing  
temporary service under orders of the General Officer  
Commanding-in-Chief of the Command."

Supplies of Army Forms V 4016 and 4017 have  
been distributed to Secretaries, Territorial Force  
Associations.

### *Mobilization Store Tables.*

Army Form G 1098-24, "A Siege Artillery Battery and  
Ammunition Column (6-inch B.L. 26 cwt. Howitzers,  
Horse drawn)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-317, "A Corps Ammunition  
Column (Salonika "4")." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-339, "A Siege Artillery Battery  
(R.G.A.) with Mechanical Transport (6-inch B.L.  
Mark XIX. Guns on Mark VIII. Travelling  
Carriages)." Dated May, 1917.



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Army Form Form G 1098-341, "Central Repair Shop and Store, Heavy Branch, Machine-Gun Corps." **A.O. 233**  
Dated May, 1917. **1917**  
*continued.*

Army Form G 1098-345, "A Signal Construction Company (France)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-354, "Inspector of Searchlights (France)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-355, "Section of a Siege Artillery Battery, R.G.A., with Mechanical Transport (Two 6-inch B.L. Howitzers)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-356, "A Section of a Siege Artillery Battery with Mechanical Transport (Two 8-inch B.L. Howitzers)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-359, "A Labour Group Headquarters." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-360, "An Army Tramway Company, R.E. (France)." Dated June, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-362, "Headquarters of a Reinforcement Company, R.E." Dated June, 1917.

Supplies of these Mobilization Store Tables have been distributed to Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Army Form 1098-242. Dated March, 1917. *Corrigenda to.*

Supplies have been distributed to all concerned.

APPENDIX A to Army Form 1098-33, "For a Balloon Wing, R.F.C., List of Spares."

Supplies of this Appendix have been distributed to all concerned.

*Army Forms revised.*

3. The following Army Forms have been revised. Previous prints are obsolete and should be wasted :—

*Mobilization Store Tables.*

Army Form G 1098-21A, "A Pontoon Park (Mechanical Transport) (France)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-33, "A Balloon Wing, R.F.C." Dated May, 1917.

Army Order G 1098-37B, "An Army Signal Company (France)." Dated May, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-38B, "A Motor Air-Line Section." Dated May, 1917.

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**A.O. 233** Army Order G 1098-195, "A Siege Artillery Battery,  
1917 R.G.A., with Mechanical Transports (6-inch B.L.  
*continued.* 26 cwt. Howitzers)." Dated May, 1917.

Supplies of the above-mentioned Mobilization Store Tables have been distributed to A.Ds.O.S. of Commands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Army Form G 1098-33c, *Appendix S*, "List of Spares, Armstrong Whitworth, 160 H.P. Beardmore."

Supplies of this Appendix have been issued to all concerned.

### *Army Forms cancelled.*

4. The following Army Forms have been cancelled :—

### *Mobilization Store Tables.*

Army Form G 1098-13B, "A Horse Artillery Brigade (T.F.) (15-pr. Q.F. Equipment)." Dated November, 1914.

Army Form G 1098-14B, "A Field Artillery Brigade (T.F.) (Armed with 18-pr. Q.F. Equipment)." Dated March, 1916.

Army Form G 1098-14E, "A Field Artillery Brigade (T.F.) (15-pr. B.L.C. Equipment)." Dated June, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-15, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (Q.F. 4·5-inch Howitzer Equipment)" Dated July, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-15A, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (T.F.) (Q.F. 4·5-inch Howitzer Equipment)." Dated March, 1916.

Army Form G 1098-15B, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Battery (Q.F. 4·5-inch Howitzer Equipment)." Dated December, 1914.

Army Form G 1098-15c, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Battery (Q.F. 4·5-inch Howitzer Equipment), 29th Division." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-15D, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (T.F.) (B.L. 5-inch Howitzer Equipment), Mediterranean." Dated June, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-17, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery." Dated July, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-17A, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery (T.F.)." Dated September, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-17D, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery (T.F.) (Mediterranean)." Dated May, 1915.

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- Army Form G 1098-18, "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (R.G.A.) (60-pr. B.L. Equipment)." Dated August, 1915. A.O. 233  
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*continued.*
- Army Form G 1098-19, "Horse Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (13-pr. Q.F. Equipment)." Dated March, 1914.
- Army Form G 1098-20D, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (29th Division)." Dated March, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-22A, "A 6-inch B.L.C. Gun Detachment (2 guns)." Dated October, 1914.
- Army Form G 1098-23, "A Field Artillery Battery (18-pr. Q.F. Equipment) (South Africa)." Dated December, 1913.
- Army Form G 1098-24c, "6-inch Howitzer Battery and Ammunition Column (29th Division)." Dated March, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-27, "Horse Artillery Brigade (7th Division)." Dated August, 1914.
- Army Form G 1098-47A, "An Ammunition Sub-Park (Territorial Divisions)." Dated March, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-47D, "Divisional Ammunition Park (Mediterranean)." Dated October, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-50B, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (T.F.) (18-pr. Q.F. Gun and 4.5-inch Howitzer Equipments)." Dated March, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-57B, "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (T.F.) (4.7-inch Q.F. Equipment)." Dated March, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-75, "One 9-inch B.L. Howitzer." Dated October, 1914.
- Army Form G 1098-105A, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery (Mediterranean)." Dated June, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-106, "A Field Artillery Brigade (18-pr. Q.F. Equipment)." Dated March, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-107, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (Q.F. 4.5-inch Howitzer Equipment)." Dated February, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-108, "A Divisional Ammunition Column." Dated March, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-108A, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (Mediterranean)." Dated June, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-109B, "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (R.G.A.) (60-pr. B.L. Equipment) (Mediterranean)." Dated June, 1915.
- Army Form G 1098-252 "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (R.G.A.) 60-pr. B.L. Equipment (New Armies) (Alternative Establishment with heavy draught mules)." Dated January, 1916.

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**A.O. 233** Army Form G 1098-264, "A Divisional Ammunition  
**1917** Column (for a Division which has a Howitzer Brigade  
*continued.* of three Batteries, each with four 4.5-inch Howitzers  
allotted to it)." Dated March, 1916.

Army Form G 1098-265, "A Divisional Ammunition  
Column (only when heavy draught horses are used)  
for a Division which has a Howitzer Brigade of three  
Batteries allotted to it." Dated April, 1916.

*Appendices.*

Appendix E to Army Form G 1098-33c, "List of Spares  
for Morane (Saulnier type L Parasol, with Ailerons)."

Appendix F to Army Form G 1098-33c, "List of Spares  
for 110-h.p. Morane Biplane."

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**LIST OF CHANGES IN WAR MATÉRIEL, &c.**

A list of changes in war matériel and patterns of  
military stores which have been approved and sealed,  
with instructions relating thereto, is issued herewith to  
all concerned.

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*By Command of the Army Council,*



## APPENDIX TO ARMY ORDER 217.

## VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENTS.

Counties, &amp;c., are arranged in alphabetical order.

## ENGLAND AND WALES.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
56	Derby ... ..	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
106	Durham ... ..	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
130	Essex ... ..	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
12	Flint... ..	" ...	
121	Glamorgan ... ..	Men's ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
123	" ... ..	" ...	
214	" ... ..	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
216	" ... ..	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
186	Kent ... ..	" ...	
71	Lancashire, East ... ..	Men's ...	
270	" ... ..	Women's ...	St. John Ambulance Association.
272	" ... ..	" ...	
35	Lancashire, West ... ..	Men's ...	
84	" ... ..	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
286	London, County of ... ..	" ...	
45	Middlesex ... ..	Men's ...	County Association.
94	Northumberland ... ..	Women's ...	
110	Stafford ... ..	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
188	Sussex ... ..	" ...	
190	" ... ..	" ...	
82	Yorkshire, North Riding. ... ..	" ...	
51	Yorkshire, West Riding. ... ..	Men's ...	
176	" ... ..	Women's ...	

## IRELAND.

82	Belfast ... ..	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
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